

Slip 4 Public Meeting Deliberative Notes *Draft*

Draft Rough Overview - Slip 4 Public Meeting 3/7/06

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Copies of the entire transcript will be available to the public

Questions during PM/engineer's presentation concerned:

Is it possible to build out? Slip to have commercial use?

Ownership of slip?

What type of dredging to be done? Better than what was done on the Diagonal?

What are the capping depths in option #2?

Process said to be safe for salmon habitat; do pipes within outflows present risk to salmon and other animals (e.g. bringing flows from I-5; Boeing; stormwater)

What about Boeing and Crowley flow? Who makes the decision?

Questions during Ecology's presentation concerned:

Penalties for the sources delaying [cleaning up]?

Concern about the open culvert [actually the flume] behind Arco on East Marginal Way – collects water and goes into the Duwamish near Slip 4

(Heather Trimm, People for Puget Sound) what are PCBs? Why are they are problem?

How did they get there? Why are they bad?

Post-presentation Comments:

BJ: DRCC

DRCC Georgetown community workshop had 55 participants - expressed concerns and preferences with a 100-year outlook

Major recommendations:

Demonstrate the effectiveness of the cap

There have been no critiques of this technique

Not detailed enough information in the proposal

Where has capping worked?

Add an additional hotspot:

Based on the EE/CA sampling, material in surface

It's a small area, low-cost

Monitoring of cap earlier than in proposal; more frequent

How will cap protect against groundwater seeps?

Requirements in EE/CA for maintenance habitat

Outer half of slip needs marker on navigational channel

Major community concerns:

Want clear information about how capping works

Is it long-term? What about earthquakes?

"Show me" approach as vs., "trust me"

Source control should be achieved *before* clean up

Community wants habitat enhancement regardless of which option is used

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By Heather Trimm, People for Puget Sound:

1. Source control – a way more aggressive stance is needed for Boeing and King County airport due to PCBs
2. Capping – need more documentation
3. Remove and regionally treat all sediment and Puget Sound PCBs
4. Substantiate “cost-effective” in document
5. Disappointed –that maps tonight don’t show contamination – this doesn’t serve the audience

By Soundkeeper Alliance

1. Upriver contamination – how much stormwater contains
2. Is a 3-foot cap enough? There is lots of activity and commercial fishing nearby
3. Maintenance of cap – more info needed about this
4. Regular monitoring > once every 5 years
5. Benthic monitoring

James Rasmussen

1. Collaboration between the city for pump station is good– hope that this is not tied to the cleanup only [City Lite and Sea Parks transferred pump station at tend of 8th to public]
2. Repeated agreement with DRCC comments
3. Did not see an option embracing habitat and cleanup tonight
4. Duwamish diagonal was recontaminated right outside of the outfall – will this recontaminate?

Other public comments:

Need sanctions for recalcitrant polluters

Salmon habitat is just as valuable as Crowley

Remove and treat sediments in whole river is an option

Upland contamination – worry that new industry will come in with new pollutants

Curtain wall needed to prevent contamination during dredging

Cleanup/add habitat to the flume

Will I-5 stormwater be treated to current DOE standards?

Source control needs to be able to get access to Boeing

Project needs to define “long-term” – some take a multi-generation long view of this

Bio-remediation

Wants to know more about landfill that dredgings go to

What is process to comment if an alt option is chosen, in then end?

Global warming considerations – the sea wall will rise 3-8’ – what will happen to cap over time?

Address upland contamination

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